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- (SBU) The DCM, together with Spanish Minister Counselor Javier Triana Jimenez and Russian First Secretary Alexander Bochanov, delivered reftel demarche on the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism to MFA Multilateral Affairs Under Secretary Emilio Izquierdo on May 12. The group provided Izquierdo a comprehensive background paper on the subject prepared by the Spanish Foreign Ministry.
- (C) Izquierdo was not familiar with the initiative, and was curious how other Latin American countries like Chile and Panama had learned about it and already become participants. He said he considered the initiative an important one for Ecuador and saw no reason why Ecuador would not be willing to sign on. He promised to study the matter further and consult with the Foreign Minister. Jewell